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To: All Recreational/Commercial boaters and residents along the South River

From: Marshfield Harbormaster

RE: South River Dredging Project July 2019

To all boaters, residents along the South River:

This memo is to inform you that the Towns of Marshfield & Scituate have awarded a dredging contract for the South River entrance channel. This project will commence on July 16th. and run thru Labor day. The dredging footprint is located in the confluence of the North & South Rivers and will proceed southerly towards buoy #2 located near Trouant Island.

We realize that this is the height of boating season. However, this area has experienced significant shoaling and is a hazard to navigation. There will be times when vessel traffic will be restricted or impassable to/from the South River due to large dredging equipment operating in the entrance channel. At this time there will be no weekend dredging operations. Nevertheless, if we experience significant weather that delays this project, we may elect to allow weekend dredging. Dredging equipment will be kept moored in the project vicinity during non-working periods.

During this project the Marshfield & Scituate Police/Harbormaster departments will be providing waterborne safety/security patrols during dredging operations.

USCG navigation buoys: Red # 8 & Green #9 from the entrance channel will be temporarily removed and or relocated; as they are adjacent to, or within the dredging foot print. Mariners should rely heavily on local knowledge, charts, & electronic chart plotters. Mariners should also stay informed by keeping up to date with the USCG "local notice to mariners" Please follow attached link:

<https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=lnmDistrict®ion=1>

The Towns of Marshfield & Scituate are hosting a boater and resident outreach meeting for all interested parties that want to learn more about this long anticipated project.

Please join us on:

Saturday June 15th. at 10 a.m. at the Scituate Maritime Center located at 119 Edward Foster Road Scituate, Ma 02066

The Marshfield and Scituate Harbormasters are the liaisons for this project and all questions, comments, concerns can be directed accordingly.

Sincerely,



Officer Michael A. DiMeo
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